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SUBJECT: ICATU CALLS FOR ECONOMIC WARFARE AGAINST U/S.
AND NETHERLANDS, BREAKING OF RELATIONS WITH THEM

REF: BEIRUT 12616

1. NOV 1-4 A MEETING OF REPS OF THE INTERNATIONAL
CONFEDERATION OF ARAB TRADE UNIONS TOOK PLACE TRIPOLI.
THE MEETING NAMED THE LIBYAN REP AS CHAIRMAN AND
NOV 4 THE OFFICIAL LARG ARAB REVOLUTIONARY NEWS
AGENCY (ARNA) SUMMARIZED A NUMBER OF MEASURES RECOMMENDED
BY THE MEETING.

2. THE MOST SIGNIFICANT RESULTS AS REPORTED BY ARNA ARE:
THE
ASSEMBLED TRADE UNIONISTS DECIDED THAT ALL MEANS OF AIR AND
SEA TRANSPORT AND GOODS OF THE UNITED STATES, HOLLAND, AND
ANY OTHER COUNTRIES SUPPORTING THE "ZIONIST ENEMY"
SHOULD BE BOYCOTTED; IT CALLED ON ALL ARAB TRADE UNIONS
TO IMPLEMENT THIS DECISION AND TO REPORT ANY DIFFICULTY
IN ITS IMPLEMENTATION TO THE CHAIRMEN OF THE UNIONS.
KING HUSSEIN'S "COLLUSIONIST ATTITUDE" AND HIS FAILURE
TO ALLOW THE PALESTINIAN COMMANDOES TO USE THE
JORDANIAN FRONT" RECEIVED CONDEMNATION. IT CALLED
FOR THE COMPLETE NATIONALIZATION OF ARAB OIL AND ITS
USE AS A DECISIVE WEAPON IN THE BATTLE, WITH PARTICULAR
EMPHASIS ON AMERICAN AND DUTCH OWNERSHIP OF COMPANIES.
IT CALLED ON ARAB STATES TO WITHDRAW DEPOSITS FROM
FOREIGN BANKS FOR INVESTMENT IN THE ARAB HOMELAND.
IT ALSO CALLED ON ARAB STATES TO SEVER RELATIONS WITH THE
U.S., HOLLAND, AND OTHER STATES SUPPORTING THE ZIONIST
ENEMY.

3. LESS SIGNIFICANT RESOLUTIONS CALLED FOR STATES
WHICH HAVE INCREASED THEIR OIL POSTED PRICES NOT TO
AFFECT THE ECONOMIES OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES WHICH
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SUPPORT ARAB RIGHTS; APPROBATION OF THE COURAGE OF ARAB
FORCES IN BATTLES AGAINST THE ZIONIST ENEMY; MOBILIZATION
OF ARAB POTENTIAL IN SUPPORT OF THE BATTLE; EXPRESSION
OF ARAB WORKERS' DETERMINATION TO CONTINUE FIGHTING TO
ACHIEVE COMPLETE VICTORY; APPRECIATION OF THE ATTITUDES
OF THOSE AFRICAN COUNTRIES WHICH SEVERED RELATIONS WITH
ISRAEL.

4. COMMENT: WE BELIEVE THE MOST OMINOUS OF THESE RESOLUTIONS MAY WELL BE THE TOTAL BOYCOTT ON AIR AND SEA TRANSPORTS OF GOODS OF THE U.S. AND OTHER SUPPORTERS OF ISRAEL, AND THE CALL FOR BREAKING OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH THE U.S., THE NETHERLANDS AND OTHER STATES SUPPORTING TEL AVIV. THE LIBYAN GOVERNMENT HAS IN THE PAST FLOATED SOME OF ITS NEW IDEAS THROUGH SEMI-OFFICIAL ORGANS PRIOR TO ADOPTING THEM AS LIBYAN GOVERNMENT POLICY. ALSO, AS THE DEPARTMENT IS AWARE, THE QUESTION OF LIBYA'S DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH THE U.S. HAS BEEN DISCUSSED BY RCC BEFORE, WITHIN THE PAST YEAR. THIS RESOLUTION FROM THE TRADE UNIONISTS IS THE FIRST TIME, TO OUR RECOLLECTION, THAT POSSIBLE BREAKING OF RELATIONS HAS APPEARED IN PRINT IN LIBYAN MEDIA.

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